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So the conference report was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday, October 21, 1999, because of a family matter that I had to attend to in Houston, I was unable to cast my votes.

Mr. Speaker, if I had been here, I would have cast my vote in favor of roll call vote No. 522. I would have voted in favor of roll call vote No. 523. I would have voted against roll call vote No. 524. I would have voted in favor of roll call vote No. 525. I would have voted in favor of roll call vote 526. I would have voted against roll call vote 527. I would have voted against roll call vote 528. I would have voted against roll call vote 529. I would have voted in favor of roll call vote 530. I would have voted in favor of roll call vote 531. I would have voted against roll call vote 532.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on October 26, I was in my District on official business.

I would have voted in favor of roll call vote 539, House Concurrent Resolution 102. I would have voted in favor of roll call vote 540, House Concurrent Resolution 188. I would have voted in favor of roll call vote 541, H.R. 1175.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. BONIOR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise for the purpose of inquiring of the distinguished majority leader or the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO) regarding the schedule for the rest of the day, the balance of the week, and next week.

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. BONIOR. I vield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

I would like to announce, Mr. Speaker, that the House has completed its business for the week. There will be no legislative business in the House tomorrow.

I want to express on behalf of the majority leader, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARMEY), his appreciation to the Committee on Appropriations, which has been doing an outstanding

I would also like to announce that the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. Young), has allowed the committee Members to have tomorrow off, so we are very appreciative of that.

The House will meet next on Monday, November 1, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates, and at 2 p.m., for legislative business.

We will consider a number of bills under suspension of the rules, a list of which will be distributed to Members' offices tomorrow.

On Monday we do not expect recorded votes until 6 p.m.

On Tuesday, November 2, and the balance of the week, the House will take up the following measures, all of which will be subject to rules: S. 900, the Financial Services Modernization Act conference report; H.R. 3081, the Wage and Employment Growth Act, and H.R. 2389, the County Schools Funding Revitalization Act of 1999.

Mr. Speaker, we also expect a conference report on the Satellite Home Viewer Act to be ready by next week.

Mr. BONIOR. If my colleague would indulge me for a second, what day do we expect to have the minimum wage bill up on the floor?

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will yield further, I would say to the gentleman that we are trying to get through some other work, and that we continue to try and reach a bipartisan accord on the minimum wage bill. I do not expect that we will have it up in the early part of next week, but probably in the latter part of next week.

Mr. BONIOR. Would the gentleman repeat that, please?
Mr. LAZIO. I would say to the gen-

tleman from Michigan, we are trying hard to reach a bipartisan accord on the minimum wage and tax package. I expect that there will be other legislation that will be on the floor early in the week, probably suspensions on Monday and Tuesday. After that, there will be other bills that are subject to rules. We will have those votes later in the week.

It is more likely than not that we will have the minimum wage bill up later in the week, next week.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, does the gentleman know what kind of rule we can anticipate on the wage bill?

Mr. LAZIO. I would say to the gentleman that I think that the Committee on Rules is going to be considering that. I am sure they will come up with a fair rule in order for us to consider that, but there has been no decision yet on the substance of the rule.

Mr. BONIOR. Can the gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER) enlighten us perhaps on what he might have in mind in terms of the rule on the wage bill?

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. LAZIO. I yield to the gentleman

from California. Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend for yielding to me.

We are going to have an extraordinarily fair and balanced rule that will allow this House to, as has always been the case under this majority, work its will. We will look forward to the debate. We will welcome the gentleman's input on any recommendations to the rule.

Mr. BONIOR. I thank my colleague. I will rest well this weekend with his assurances.

Let me ask my friend from New York, the Viegues resolution, when does he expect that up on suspensions and what day, if it is under suspension?

Mr. LAZIO. If the gentleman will continue to yield, I would say to the gentleman that we are trying to negotiate through and accommodate the minority's concerns on this piece of legislation. We will have a hearing and markup in committee. It will through regular order, as expected.

We are trying to accommodate the concerns that have been raised by the minority before we see it on the floor.

Mr. BONIOR. Am I to gather from the gentleman's answer that this will be under regular order and not under the Suspension Calendar?

Mr. LAZIO. I would say to the gentleman, I think the plan is to go through the committee process and to have regular hearings, have a markup, and have it on the floor, but not next week. It is not likely to be up on the floor for next week.

Mr. BONIOR. Let me ask the gentleman one other question. Tuesday is Election Day, as my colleague knows, across the country. Will votes occur after a certain time on Tuesday?

Mr. LAZIO. We are trying to ensure that the votes will be held until the afternoon to allow those Members who have the opportunity, that live in the close proximity and have the ability to have a flight to get back after votes on Monday evening, to do that.

So I would say Members should anticipate not having any votes in the morning of Tuesday nor in the early afternoon, but rather in the mid or later afternoon would be the earliest we would have votes. Members should stay in contact, I think, with their respective cloakrooms. We will perhaps be giving more updates on Tuesday.

Mr. BONIOR. Finally, if the gentleman from New York can tell me when he expects to have the conferees named on the Patients' Bill of Rights?

Mr. LAZIO. I would say to the gentleman that we are expecting that would be completed for next week.